productivity etc. As regards the cooperative banks, a task force to study the functioning of the co-operative credit system and suggest measures for its strengthening had been constituted, which has made wide ranging recommendations. Follow-up action on these recommendations have been initiated. As regards the regional rural banks, efforts are underway to revamp and rebuild them on 'stand-alone' basis.

(e) It is proposed to merge the Benares State Bank Ltd. with Bank of Baroda.

(f) No, Sir.

(g) Does not arise.

(h) and (i) The profits of 13 public sector banks, 5 private sector banks and 19 foreign banks had shown decline during the year 2000-01 as compared to their profits during 1999-2000.

Appointment of Directors in Public Sector Banks

†91. SHRI MUNAVVAR HASAN: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to refer to answer to Starred Question 137 given in the Rajya Sabha on the 27th November, 2001 and state:

(a) the details of the five Members of Parliament who have written a letter between 1st July to 31st October, 2001 with regard to appointment of Director in Public Sector Banks;

(b) the names and address of the persons appointed as Director till date alongwith the name of banks in each case;

(c) the decision taken with regard to persons whose cases were recommended by the Members of Parliament;

(d) whether the persons recommended by Members of Parliament for appointment were lacking in academic qualifications and experience; and

(e) if not, by when they are likely to be appointed as Directors?

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHR BALASAHEB VIKHE PATIL): (a) Shri Bachi Singh Rawat, Shri Ananth Kumar, Shri K.A. Singh, Prin. Lalitbhai Mehta and Dr. Baliram have written with regard to appointment of Directors in Public Sector Banks whose Headquarters are located in Maharashtra.

(b) The names and addresses of the persons appointed as Directors in the Maharashtra based Banks is given in the Statement. (*See* below)

(c) to (e) As and when vacancies arise, names of persons recommended by the Hon'ble Members of Parliament are considered alongwith other eligible persons/experts. Thereafter, appointments are made in accordance with provisions of Section 9 of the Banking Companies (Acquisition and Transfer of Undertakings) Act, 1970 and 1980 and Section 19 of the State Bank of India Act, 1955.

Statement

Name and Addresses of persons appointed in the Banks whose Headquarters are situated in State of Maharashtra

Sr. No.	Name of the bank	Name and address of person appointed as non-official Director
1	2	3
1.	Bank of Baroda	Shri Bapusaheb Namdevrao Gulvepatil, Advocate, Agriculturist and Social Worker, Ashiyana Housing Society, at Post Tal. Sangamner-422605 (Ahmednagar) Maharashtra.
2.	Bank of Baroda	Shri Piyush Goyal, Director, Gujarat Poistra Port Infrastructure Ltd., Pipavav House, 209, Bank Street Cross Lane, Off. Shahid Bhagat Singh Road, Fort, Mumbai-400 023.

1	2	3
3.	Bank of Baroda	Shri Gurmeet Singh Uberai, Chartered Accountant, DD 14, Kalkaji, New Delhi-110 019.
4.	Bank of India	Shri Pahlaj Nanikram Nihalani, Film Producer & Distributor, 2-B, Two roses Housing Society, Pali Road, Bandra(W), Mumbai-50.
5.	Bank of India	Shri Shripad Ramachandra Halbe, Company Secretary and Corporate Consultant, 72, Nemani Building, N.S. Patkar Marg, Chowpatty, Mumbai-7.
6.	Bank of Maharashtra	Shri Anand Kamalnayan Pandit, 501, Park View, Nr. Parle College, Park Road, Vile Parle(E), Mumbai-57.
7.	Bank of Maharashtra	Shri Shambhuraj Shivajirao Desai, Koyna Daulat, Powai Naka, Satara City, Distt. Satara(M.S.).
8.	Bank of Maharashtra	Shri Sunil K. Sharma (Vashisht), Chartered Accountant, RB-51, RBI Flats, Hauz Khas, New Delhi-16.
9.	Bank of Maharashtra	Dr. B. Madhava Bhandary, Medical Practitioner, Saraswathi Nilaya, 2nd Cross Road, Gandhinagar, Mangalore-3.
10.	Bank of Maharashtra	Prof. Ghanshyam Datt Sharma, Ex-Professor & Head, Department of Business Admn. & Dean Facutly of Commerce, University of Rajasthan, Jaipur.

1	2	3
11.	Bank of Maharashtra	Shri Gyan Prakash, "Pratibha Lok", Anandpuri,W. Boring Canal Road, Patna.
12.	Central Bank of India	Shri Nayan Kishore Mohanty, Advocate, Plot No. 198, Mahanandi Vihar, Cuttack.
13.	Central Bank of India	Shri Yashwant Purshottam *alias* Nana Mone K/3, Tirupathiu Apartments, 2nd floor, Flat No. 201, Opp. Corporation Bank, Anand Nagar, Dahisar (East) Mumbai.
14.	Central Bank of India	Shri Surendra Singh Bhandari, Chartered Accountant, P-7, Tilak Marg, C-Scheme, Jaipur-302005.
15.	Central Bank of India	Shri V.M. Bhutani, Chartered Accountant, GC-6, Shivaji Enclave, New Delhi-110 027.
16.	Dena Bank	Shri Tulsi Agarwal, B-111, Phase 1, Ashok Vihar, Delhi.
17.	Dena Bank	Ms. Sudesh Yadav, Advocate, Lahria Sarai, Darbhanga (Bihar).
18.	Union Bank of India	Shri Ashutosh Tandon *alias* Gopal Tandon, 64 Sondhi Tola, Chowk, Lucknow-226003.
19.	Union Bank of India	Shri Ujjwal Nikam, Advocate, 48, Barrister Nikam Chowk, Zilla Peth, Jalgaon.
20.	Union Bank of India	Ms. Chalasani Vijaya Lakshmi @Ch. Vijaya Purna Chandra Rao, W/o Ch. Purna Chandra Rao, Flat No. 202, Kshatriya Towers, Nallakunta, Hyderabad-44.

1	2	3
21.	Union Bank of India	Shri Arun Singh, Chartered Accountant, F-7, Lajpat Nagar-III, New Delhi-110 024.
22.	Union Bank of India	Shri Pasupathi Matta, Businessman, 8/77, Ramesh Nagar, New Delhi-110 015.
23.	State Bank of India	Shri Kirit Shantilal Parikh, Emeritus Prof., Indira Gandhi Institute of Development Research, Mumbai.
24.	State Bank of India	Shri Eknath Keshav Thakur, Businessman, B/7, Bageshri, S.G. Marg, Prabhadevi, Mumbai.

Revision of customs and excise Duty on CKD/SKD imports

92. SHRI NANA DESHMUKH: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government propose to adopt a single rate of customs and excise duty on completely/semi-knocked down (CKD/SKD) imports;

(b) if so, what are the reasons therefor;

(c) to what extent it would help the domestic industry; and

(d) whether such a step would bring additional benefits in other sectors too?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI GINGEE N. RAMACHANDRAN): (a) As the Union Budget for the year 2002-2003 is likely to be presented in Parliament on 28.2.2002, it would not be possible to give any reply at this stage.

(b) to (d) Do not arise in view of the reply to (a) above.